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EIGETH PEARMACEUTICAL PLANT OPENED -- Borba, No 124, 26 May 49

The first Yugoslav yemicillin factory began operations on Tito's birthday, 25 May. After a few months of experimental production, it will begin to manufacture pericillin from Yugoslav ran materials.

The equipment for the factory was imported last summer. Installation was difficult because such equipment had never been used before in Yugoslavia, and because certain parts did not fit Yugoslav machines.

This factory is the eighth pharmaceutical enterprise of national significance to have been established during the last 4 years. Four of these factories are entirely new, while the others have been expanded to an average of ten times their former capacity. If the 1945 production of the phermacaution industry is assumed to have been 100, production in 1946 was 500; 1947, 820; 1948, 1,700; and in 1949 will be 3,000. The Five-Year Plan for this industry should be fulfilled a year ahead of schedule.

The further development of the pharmaceutical industry presupposes further development of heavy industry and the chemical industry, and the discovery of new Tugoclav raw materials, especially medicinal plants.

CHEMICAL PLANTS REATS SCHEDULE -- Borba, No 109, 9 May 49

The Fabrika Hemiskih Proisonda (Chemical Products Factory) in Celje, by completing its half-year plan on 4 May, became one of the first enterprises in Yugoslavia to fulfill its 6-months' plan.

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